

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 21, line 4 to line 21 and replace it with the following paragraph:

The following oligonucleotides each having an amino group at five prime end were synthesized by using a DNA synthesizer available from The Perkin-Elmer Corporation, respectively. Some of the oligonucleotides were synthesized by Sawady Technology Co., Ltd.

Amino group-GAA TTC CCG GGG ATC CGT CG (SEQ ID NO: 1)
(hereinafter referred to as "Pair 1 + ")

Amino group-CGA CGG ATC CCC GGG AAT TC (SEQ ID NO: 2)
(hereinafter referred to as "Pair 1 -")

Amino group-AAC GGA ATC TAA TCA GGA GG (SEQ ID NO: 3)
(hereinafter referred to as "Pair 8 + ")

Amino group-CCT CCT GAT TAG ATT CCG TT (SEQ ID NO: 4)
(hereinafter referred to as "Pair 8 -")

Amino group-CCG ACT ACA GAA GAG GAG AA (SEQ ID NO: 5)
(hereinafter referred to as "Pair 7 + ")

EXAMPLE 2

Preparation of Oligonucleotide-labeled IgG for Detection of Anti-HCV Antibody and TP